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C.P.R. Officials Visit Empress

A number of C.P.R. officials arrived here on Monday night, train from the west. The party were in the two private cars, "Champion" and "Alberta." Included in the party were C. Murphy, general manager, Western lines, Winnipeg, J. M. Cameron, general supt., Calgary, A. C. MacKenzie, engineer, maintenance of way, Winnipeg, F. W. Alexander, chief civil engineer, Calgary, J. M. MacArthur, supt., Medicine Hat Division.

Play Local Risk

A risk contest of S. T. Brown, A. C. MacKenzie, C. Murphy and H. B. Hall (skip) played an Empire risk contest composed of R. B. Hall, son of L. Brown, S. Dandridge and J. C. Hall (skip). The game was evenly contested, ending 5-4 in favor of the Empress club. We are informed the visitors thought highly of our host.

Social Plains Items

Mr. and Mrs. E. McFarland are visiting Mrs. McFarland's brother at Baron's, Alta.

Miss Adeline Turner has returned from Barons, Alta., and is making her home with her sister, Mrs. Piper.

A surprise party was held on March 10th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Sarvis, on the event of their 33rd wedding anniversary. About twenty people were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent in music and playing games.

R. A. MacFarlane, of Blindloss, is in the General Hospital, Calgary, suffering, it is feared, from a tumorous growth.

Medames H. C. Cotter and H. B. England, are in Calgary, attending the Women's Institute Convention.

Wm. Hawkins, N 19, 20, 2, W 1 (Social Plains), is disposing of his farm stock and implements on Wednesday, March 20, by public auction.

Acme-Empress Line; B. of T. Takes Up Matter

C. S. Pingle Will Bring Question Before Provincial House

G. M. Johnston Board of Trade Delegate to Ottawa

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trade took place, Wednesday afternoon, March 12.

The purpose of the meeting, as stated by President Henderson, was the intention of sending G. M. Johnston to Ottawa, as Empress delegate, to urge that charter for proposed line from Acme to Empress be granted C.P.R. It was explained that the application for charter is understood to be opposed by Dominion Government on account of the line running parallel to the "Goose Lake" line. C. S. Pingle, M.L.A., is understood to be urging the matter of the construction of the line in the Provincial House.

Death of Geo. Thomas Sandercock

The Spanish influenza has once more taken its toll from our community, in the person of George Thomas Sandercock, whose death occurred on Monday, March 10th. For some years he had been a severe sufferer from asthma and his strength was insufficient to withstand influenza. Mr. Sandercock was of years of age and was a native of England. About two years ago he came to Empress with his family from Crystal City, Minn., where for some years he had been engaged in farming. He secured a home-stand north of the Red Deer and was endeavoring to prove up on it. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife and three sons, the eldest of whom is about fourteen years of age.

At the present time, Mrs. Sandercock, and two of the boys are confined to bed, and the sincerest sympathy in the great loss they have sustained and earnest hope for their speedy recovery is extended to them by all. The funeral service was conducted at the family residence on Tuesday, interment taking place at the Empress cemetery.

Death of Frederick Newman

On Friday, March 7th, the death of Frederick Newman occurred at Cavendish as a result of Spanish influenza. Mr. Newman was thirty-one years of age and was born in Gloucestershire, England. He had been in Canada about 9 years and had taken up land at Cavendish. His only relative in this country is a brother who has been residing in Calgary. The burial service was conducted by Rev. G. G. Pyrie, at the Empress cemetery, on Saturday.

A study of the adverts will convince you that the advertiser appreciates your trade and gives prices that deserve your patronage.

NOTICE To Employers

THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1918, provides that every employer of labor coming within the scope of the Act, shall forward on month a statement of his payroll to the Workmen's Compensation Board, at Edmonton.

As the Act is now effective, employers should at once communicate with the secretary of the Board, who will forward such forms and information as are necessary.

Social Plains Items

E. Czerwinski, of Social Plains, has purchased a Fordson tractor.

A masquerade dance is to be held in the Social Plains Schoolhouse, on Monday, March 17. Prizes will be given for best and comest costumes. No one will be allowed on the floor, previous to 11:30 p.m. unless in costume.

An interesting debate took place in the Social Plains schoolhouse, last week. The question was, "Is the formation of a Municipality, beneficial to farmers." The debate was

United Church

Sunday, March 10th—On account of the holidays there will be no Sunday School or Church Service.

well contested. The decision being given in favor of the affirmative side. The question is one which has received considerable attention from the farmers in the south-west district. Various petitions and counter petitions have been signed at different times. We are informed a vote is to be taken on the subject this summer.

WATER?

WHY DIG DRY HOLES?

I will Locate you a Well with the "Mansfield Water Finder" (as used by the Alberta Govt), and also DRILL your well

Work Guaranteed. Write for particulars
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FANNIE WARD

in
"On the Level"

THE Court Room Scene in
"On the Level" is a thriller that you'll talk about for many a day.

Don't fail to see Fannie Ward, great star of
"The Cheat," score her greatest success.

March 14 and 15

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At The Grand Theatre

Admission: adults, 25c

Experience that Glorious Feeling



Right On The Job in the Spring

Have Your

TRACTOR OVERHAULED

and put in a shape for Spring Work

Remember, this work can be handled with better satisfaction during winter.

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Cannot afford extra ram, because you are short of HARNESS or COLLARS, if so we can help you. We have the largest stock of Harness and Collars in the part of the West, and our prices are the lowest. We will give you all outside competition, and show you a SAVING on every Set of Harness you buy.

Two Samples from Our Regular Stock

1. **NEW HARNESS**, 11 in. three-piece harness, 11 in. patch strap, matching harness, made 1 in. lines, brass long nose, harness, spring-buckling with leather pads, large rooney bridle, pad, bridle and blinkers, brass 75.00

2. **SPECIAL**—11 in. on 2 in. layer trace, 11 in. pad strap martingale, with brass, 1 in. lines, steel harness, three-ring buckling, extra good bridle complete with cups, slides and spreaders. One of the best values we have 50.00

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N. D. STOREY

EXTRA STEPS MEAN DOLLARS SAVED

Our COLLAR Stock

is large and complete, covering all sizes in Standard Styles

Long Straw Collars, hand-made, for 6.75

All-Leather Collars in Russell, Black, Russell and Black, from 3.75 to 6.50, according to quality and style

Lankford Collars, in all sizes, only 2.25 each

Sweet Peds, "yellow" with "red edge, five rows stitching, 12 in. wide and four collar hooks," all sizes, 75c

Curry Combs, from 15c each, up.

Horse Brushes, from 35c each, up.

Morton's Pressed Salt, in 50 lbs. Blocks, 1.35 each.

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SEE "BILL" CLARKE

Livery—Automobile or Horse

Horses or Cattle always on hand for Sale or Trade

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We have the famous

**McCormick and
Deering Lines**

and carry a full line of Repair
Parts in stock.

C. O. CARLSON

The "Forks" Meat Market

Saturday Specials

Oysters Lobsters Pink Salmon

PORK TENDERLOIN

Loin of Pork

PRIME RIB ROAST

Sirloin of Beef



We are equipped to do all kinds of

Automobile Repairing

OR

Overhauling

Prices Reasonable. Work done with despatch

Full Line of tires and
auto accessories in stock

CENTRAL GARAGE

2nd St. West

Agents McLaughlin Cars

FOR AN ECONOMIC FUEL

Try

Banff Briquettes

GOOD STOCK ON HAND

We are sole agents for Empress. Let us have your
enquiries.

Revelstoke Sawmill Co.

I. McLean, Local Manager

Cleveland Current Comment

We are informed our local
ranch syndicate is dissolving
partnership.

A. Shubert, is enjoying a
holiday in Saskatchewan.

B. Klucny who is spending
the winter south amid more
congenial surroundings, is ex-
pected back soon. We venture
to predict that Bert will be an
authority on dairying when he
returns.

A. P. Pawlak, had the mis-
fortune to lose a valuable
horse, last week.

Joe Mats has purchased
a new car.

The Empress Curling Club
are holding a luncheon and
their annual meeting on Wed-
nesday evening next.

Put Airplanes On Market At \$2,000

Toronto, March 6.—F. G. Erick-
son, who is promoting commer-
cial flying in Canada, is offering
airplanes to the public at a figure
less than the average automo-
bile costs. The machines are
being offered at \$2,000 each, and
aviators can be secured at the
present time for the same wages
of those of a chauffeur.

Pat Livermore, is the posses-
sor of a new Ford car.

"De mandat's always kickin',"
said Uncle Eben, "ain't got any
real trouble on his mind. When
real trouble comes you're gener-
ally too stunned to kick."

Geo. Martin, N.E. 30, 25, 2, W
4, is disposing of his farm stock
and implements, on Monday,
March 24, by public auction.

"Young Thinking Makes

Young Looking"

The old saying is that a woman
is as old as she feels, but Fannie
Ward, Paramount Star, amends
this statement by substituting
the word "thinks" for "feels".

"Show me the clothes a
woman wears and I will tell you
how old her mind is," said Miss
Ward. The first time she saw
something that was actually be-
coming to her and refused to
wear it on the plea that she was
too old for that sort of thing,
her mind increased by ten years.
Miss Ward wears many of
her famous gowns in her forth-
coming picture "On the Level".
This picture will appear at the
Grand Theatre on Friday and
Saturday, March 14 and 15.

A. L. Insley, of Virden, Man.,
arrived here on Friday last for
the purpose of looking after
his farming interests in this
district.

If people will refrain from
indulging in card parties and
other pursuits where close con-
tact in confined space must en-
sue, Dr. MacCharles is of the
opinion that the present sick-
ness may be stamped out in the
course of about two weeks.

GENERAL DRAYING

Light or Heavy Work

Transfer to and from C.P.R.
Depot

Prompt attention given
to all work

E. H. FOUNTAIN
at McArthur's Old Stand

Fifty Dollars a Month

(Guaranteed to you by the Canada Life)

The Man Who Succeeds



Age 20.—He finds that keeping track of expenses
helps him to save money.



Age 25.—He makes certain of a \$10,000 estate at
once through a Canada Life Policy.



Age 35.—He finds his policy a real asset. It helps
him to build his home and covers the mortgage
meanwhile.



Age 55.—Arrived at success he finds his careful
savings and investments have enabled him to
reach the goal.



Age 60.—His precaution to invest in a Pension
Policy makes certain a definite monthly in-
come for life, no matter what might happen
to his other ventures.

You know of men well up in years who
are still "drudging along". They cannot stop
if they would, but must go on to the end of
their days working for a living. You can
avoid that.

Why Not Pension Yourself?

Why not "take stock" of your present
financial position—to size up your personal
affairs and decide on a plan for the future?

Our New Pension Plan

guarantees that upon reaching a certain age in
life, you will receive a monthly cheque for
\$50.00, \$100, \$200, \$250—as you may now
decide—and this monthly payment cannot cease
as long as you live.

An Income for Life

Think what it may mean to you to be certain
of an income right up to the end of life, when
you consider that 97% of people in their later
years are partially or wholly dependent upon
others for support.

When they were younger they did not have
the chance now offered you. It was not then
possible to secure such a convenient and certain
provision as this Monthly Pension Plan.

And This is Not All

Suppose some day before you reach age sixty you
meet with a mishap and become totally and permanently
disabled through accident, illness or any cause. (Such a
thing has happened soon after men have secured this new
policy of the Canada Life.) Immediately, the payment
of further premiums would be cancelled. The Canada Life
would become responsible for sending you \$50.00, \$100,
\$200, \$250, a month, as arranged, for the rest of your life.

There are many other benefits.

An average deposit of only a few dollars a month
will return you \$50.00 a month later on.

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Agent

Canada Life Assurance

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Empress, Alberta

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Canada Life Assurance Company, Empress, Alta.

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Canada Life Assurance Company, Empress, Alta.

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Remarkable Work of Munitions Ministry

London. — Frederick George Kellaway, parliamentarian, has called attention to the munitions ministry, which he said, were 33,000 separate contracts outstanding which involved a liability of £325,000,000. The expenditure of the munitions ministry during the war, he said, was £1,839,000,000. There are large surplus stocks to be disposed of, ranging from tanks to tacks and from guns to glue. They are scattered over three continents.

Apart from the work done by private firms, 132 national factories were established at an expenditure of £26,000,000. Others were altered at a cost of £5,000,000. Thirty of these factories will be retained for storage purposes and others will be sold for emergencies.

The Woolwich arsenal is still working to meet any military emergency, Mr. Kellaway said. The employment there, instead of being dismissed, are being employed in repairing motor lorries and in producing the articles needed for the front when it is placed on a peace footing.

Assisting the Settler

A Policy Pursued by the Local Government of Manitoba which Deserves the Highest Commendation

(By W. W. Fraser, Live Stock Commissioner)

I have reference to the scheme known (and at one time much ridiculed) as "The Cow Scheme." This plan is being operated under an Act passed by the present Government at the Session of 1916, and was adopted because of conditions that existed in some of the outlying districts of the province, where the struggling settler was known to be working under extreme disadvantages, and was not permitted him to purchase, in some instances, even one cow, and where force of circumstances meant that in order that he might receive enough money to keep his family supplied with the absolute necessities of life, he was obliged to seek employment fishing on the lakes during the winter months, and again was forced to return to the city during the summer months and work there. Particularly was this true of the settlers between Lakes Manitoba and Winnipeg, where the majority of the cows furnished under this policy have been placed. It will be readily seen that these conditions necessitated the absence from home of the breadwinner during the greater portion of the year and as a consequence his family were deprived of his influence and protection, and the required improvements on the homestead had to be foregone. Yet under this family was forced to live in a one-roomed shack, scarcely affording any improvements on the homestead.

The above scheme permitted these settlers to receive the Government grant, by way of a cash, or a number of settlers going together, cows up to the number of five to each settler. In each case an inspection is made to determine the capability of the individual as to the number of cows he is in a position to care for. After which inspection, cows are advanced up to the number of five, as above stated, according to the man's ability to care for them. The terms are five years, the first payment falling due November 1st, following the year in which the cows are purchased.

The cows are all purchased with either calf at foot or due to call within a very short time. A new avenue of employment is thereby opened, and he is shown the path of escape from previous hardship. Milk is provided for his children, and he can ship his surplus cream from the nearest station to the dairy. The cheque for the cream is received and he is able to purchase

Union of Teutons

Berne. — German newspapers received here contain a semi-official communication concerning negotiations for a union between German Austria and the German Government for a union between Germany and Austria. The union, says the communication, will be promulgated as soon as questions of detail now being discussed by various commissions set up for that purpose are settled. A treaty drafted which will be submitted to the two national assemblies.

The necessities of life by paying cash, instead of being forced to leave his home to earn money. Usually the family can do the work in connection with the cows while the man carries on the improvements, bring under cultivation more land from year to year. Thus the land becomes more valuable, the offerings which are growing up and adding to the herd, meat is provided for the family, and in all the home is put on an economic basis. Encouragement is given to the father and mother as well as to the children, and instead of the previous dissolving home a real home of thrift and industry is established. In this way the entire settlements where these cows have been placed are put on a new basis.

Where one creature was in operation, there are now five, and have been for the last two years, two of which have been manufacturing a car of butter each week. Whereas an importation of 55 car loads of butter was the country from the requirements of the province in the years 1912 and 1913, there was an exportation during the year 1918 of 175 cars of butter and the mentioned act is unquestionably very largely responsible for this change, the benefit to the country from this change is readily realized. The consumer at large is a direct beneficiary, as beyond a doubt the price of butter has been brought by this vast increase of the product.

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Canadian Goods at Lyons Fair

Enormous Crowds Admire Dominion's Huge Exhibit

Lyons. — Enormous crowds, among which were thousands of foreign, commercial and industrial men, thronged the Grand theatre at the official ceremony marking the opening of the fourth annual Lyons fair. The whole city was gaily decorated, flags of all the allied nations being proudly displayed over all buildings and private residences.

Great numbers of American, British, Canadian, Australian and Italian soldiers were to be seen among the thousands who cheered the mayor of Lyons, Senator Edouard Herriot, when, at the invitation of the chairman of the meeting, Jean Goignot, president of la Chambre de Commerce of Lyons, he declared the fair open.

The speaker referred to the audacity shown by Mayor Herriot in the organization of the fair in 1916, when France was hard pressed at Verdun. He also gave tribute to Canada for its participation in the present fair, as well as her unforgettable share in aiding France on the battlefield under the allied victory was assured.

The Canadian section includes 53 firms, the Canadian National railways, the departments of mines, agriculture and forestry and the Canadian Pacific railway, with all the Canadian industries represented.

Campaign Started Against Armistice

German Cabinet Threatens to Resist

Paris. — At a meeting of the German cabinet, attended by party leaders and delegates of shipowners, it was decided to resist the armistice. It was stated that Germany could not submit to coercion from the entente powers, and the armistice was declared to be a peace parter, proper, according to a Zurich dispatch to Le Journal.

The German government declared that it will decline all responsibility for possible consequences if "the entente tries to speculate on German patience."

Demands regarding the regulations shipping are held to be absolutely unacceptable, because, it is said, it would definitely "paralyze the country's economic future."

German will oppose the dismissal of German crews from ships requisitioned, it being pointed out that this would involve 42,000 seamen out of employment.

A press campaign has already been started against the armistice and the preliminary peace conditions.

Polish Premier Favors League

Somewhat 'Nettled' at Opposition to Big Polish Army

Warsaw. — Who can oppose Bolshevism with the Bible? That is a question which the world is facing today. In London, England, the premier of Poland, somewhat nettled at the apparent American opposition to his big Polish army, said in a statement, asked this of the Associated Press correspondent.

"I am not a priest," he said, "but I am a patriot. I am for the aim of the Christian civilization—peace and work—and not for Bolshevism as far as we are concerned, because you cannot have peace and organize property with your first door neighbor advising your workmen not to work and paying agents to destroy your factories as quickly as you can build them. Most people like to get money without working, and that what Bolshevism Russia offers."

"When asked if he was able to reconcile the 35,000 Polish army with the league of nations plan, Mr. Paderewski replied: 'Yes, certainly, and I am sure you will be able to do so.' He said that Poland's army will be recruited for such time as is necessary to restore order on our frontiers."

Vast Number of Women Workers

London. — The vast extent to which British women replace men in the industry and commerce during the war, is disclosed in a white paper issued. Not only did the number of women ordinarily employed show an increase, but more than a million and a half additional came forward to take the place of the men. Many of the women were engaged in all necessary deductions and additions, it is estimated that the net increase in female workers employed during their leave hours was 1,200,000.

Will Release Irish Prisoners

London. — The British government has decided to release all Irish political prisoners, says the Daily Mail. In order to prevent a great public demonstration, the newspaper says, the prisoners will return to Ireland in small batches.

Fourteen State Banks

In Minnesota Blow Up

Outcome Expected to Be a Heavy Loss to Depositors

Reports from Minnesota announce the failure of 14 State Banks. The list of these banks is an interesting one, as follows:

Augusta State Bank, Augusta, \$10,000
Chanhassen State Bank, Chanhassen, 10,000
Farmers State Bank, Cologne, 12,000
Farmers State Bank, Frontenac, 10,000
Farmers State Bank, Long Prairie, 10,000
Marine Mills State Bank, Marine Mills, 12,000
Farmers State Bank, New Prairie, 10,000
Farmers State Bank, Skyberg, 10,000
Peoples State Bank, St. Bonifacius, 12,000
Hammel State Bank, Hammel, 10,000
St. Louis Park State Bank, 20,000
Merchants & Miners State Bank, Power, 15,000
Waconia State Bank, Waconia, 10,000
Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Watertown, 15,000

Capital Deposits \$8,847,109,821

The control of the small capital stock of these banks was obtained by a coup d'etat, and the banks used their stock control to borrow some \$910,000 from such banks on notes and other securities much of which were worthless.

The banks were controlled by a few men expected to be a very heavy loss to the depositors, whose deposits aggregated \$3,000,000.

The echo of the Alberta convention has hardly died away, before the above failures are chronicled. Imagine what the effect would be if a similar occurrence had happened in any one of our three western provinces—imagine depositors at 14 different places in Alberta, to an aggregate of \$1,439,000 facing the loss of a large part of their savings.

Whatever disadvantage may exist in the service rendered the western farming community by their chartered banks, it is questionable if the introduction of local banks as suggested by the farmers of Alberta would be a successful or desirable remedy.

Move Against Jews

Saloniki. — An anti-Semitic movement of serious proportions in Bulgaria is reported in the Jewish newspaper, El Libero. The movement has been found in the central Jewish synagogues in Sofia. It was impossible to find out the exact number of the adherents, but it is alleged that it was placed there by Bulgarians.

All Troops Home by June

Victoria. — In a letter received here from Gen. Currie, written on Feb. 7, he says that most of the 3rd Division was sent to England in the month of June. The 1st, 2nd and 4th Divisions he writes, will follow in the order named. The troops had been decorated upon returning the men by units. All the Canadian troops will be in England by May first and all will be back in England by June 1st and June. The corps headquarters is now at Bonn, Germany.

Strong Words of A Guelph Veteran

He Says Dodd's Money Piled Saved His Life

James Black at the Age of Eighty-Five is Shouting the Praises of the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I would have had to undergo an operation, or be dead only for Dodd's Kidney Pills." These are strong words. But Mr. James Black, an old gentleman who moved here recently from London, England, has no argument without foundation.

"I suffered from kidney trouble for many years," Mr. Black goes on to relate, "and a friend told me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I bought a box and I began to pass sand and gravel in my urine. I was in a bottle to show people."

"I also had cramps in my legs so that I could not sleep at night. I used 14 or 15 boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and now I am cured of all these ailments."

"I am now 85 years of age, and I feel as young as I did in my eighties."

Rumanian Queen in France

Paris. — Queen Marie of Rumania, accompanied by her daughters, the Princess Elizabeth, Marie and Elena, have arrived in Paris. They received a warm welcome.

A despatch from Geneva February 22, says that Queen Marie of Rumania and her daughters had fled from Bucharest for England, fearing a revolution in Rumania.

People Urged to Defend Their Homes

Berlin. — The military situation on the eastern front is painted in blackest colors by Field Marshal von Hindenburg in an interview printed here. The field marshal declared that unless the population organized itself to the defence of their homes and families, it will be impossible to ward off attacks by Bolshevik forces.

"The expectation of the Poles and the entente that the Poles will succeed to the German inheritance in the east will be blasted," he says, "I know the Poles and the country in the east will belong either to us or to the Bolsheviks."

Newspapers here appear to be of the opinion that the strike movement has reached a climax and that there are indications that the political infighting will find early adjustment through negotiations on a Weimar. The Independent Socialists have been holding their own since movement now and are endeavoring to unload the responsibility for the removal of the Spartacists, who are accused of having precipitated the strike before organization plans had been thoroughly perfected.

At the recent convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, a resolution was passed in favor of petitioning the Dominion government to sanction the establishment of local banks with provincial charters.

In speaking to this resolution, Mr. Vere Brown, western superintendent of the Farmers' Union, said that the attention to the fact that the first responsibility of the government of Canada was towards those whose money is deposited in the banks, and by pointing out that taking at risk the case of our nearest neighboring state, namely, North Dakota, there had been failures of small banks in that state alone since 1893 which had involved losses to depositors aggregating \$300,000.

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Majority of Workers Opposed to Strike

Berlin. — The Vorwarts, the socialist organ, reports that the result of the secret ballot taken on the strike issue in eighty Berlin plants showed that more than 20,000 workers were opposed, and that 7,900 were in favor of a strike.

The workers in numerous factories, the newspapers added, were stampeded into a strike by the radicals before the soviet took official action.

Food for Poles

A Total of 17,000 Tons Has Reached Danzig

Paris. — The following statement was issued by Herbert Hoover, United States relief administrator: "The ship Westward Ho reached Danzig carrying 6,000 tons of food for Poland, the gift of the combined American committees of Jews and Poles. The food will be rushed to the starving people of the city. It is local communities under the direction of representatives of the United States relief administration on the plan so successfully operated in Belgium and Northern France."

"A total of 17,000 tons of food has been received for Poland during the past three weeks. This is the beginning of a total monthly program of 50,000 tons, necessary pending the 1919 season. Other ships are en route. Local co-operation is extensive and intelligent, and each fresh arrival of food is received with honor by the public, and is accepted as proof that America will see to it that the new republic has a chance to find itself and quickly become self-supporting."

To Fix Frontiers

Paris. — The commission meeting, elected Andre Tardieu, of the French peace delegation president. The task of the commission is to coordinate all decisions of the special territorial commission.

In particular, it will have to fix the frontiers between the different countries, and the French will be tracing by the various commissions. It also will discuss questions not reserved for special consideration by the council of ten.

Ontario Seed

Ottawa. Nearly 500,000 bushels of superior quality Ontario oats have been shipped to the western provinces. Elizabeth, Mary and Elena, have arrived in Paris. They received a warm welcome. A despatch from Geneva February 22, says that Queen Marie of Rumania and her daughters had fled from Bucharest for England, fearing a revolution in Rumania.

Berlin. — The military situation on the eastern front is painted in blackest colors by Field Marshal von Hindenburg in an interview printed here. The field marshal declared that unless the population organized itself to the defence of their homes and families, it will be impossible to ward off attacks by Bolshevik forces.

"The expectation of the Poles and the entente that the Poles will succeed to the German inheritance in the east will be blasted," he says, "I know the Poles and the country in the east will belong either to us or to the Bolsheviks."

Newspapers here appear to be of the opinion that the strike movement has reached a climax and that there are indications that the political infighting will find early adjustment through negotiations on a Weimar. The Independent Socialists have been holding their own since movement now and are endeavoring to unload the responsibility for the removal of the Spartacists, who are accused of having precipitated the strike before organization plans had been thoroughly perfected.

At the recent convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, a resolution was passed in favor of petitioning the Dominion government to sanction the establishment of local banks with provincial charters.

In speaking to this resolution, Mr. Vere Brown, western superintendent of the Farmers' Union, said that the attention to the fact that the first responsibility of the government of Canada was towards those whose money is deposited in the banks, and by pointing out that taking at risk the case of our nearest neighboring state, namely, North Dakota, there had been failures of small banks in that state alone since 1893 which had involved losses to depositors aggregating \$300,000.

The echo of the Alberta convention has hardly died away, before the above failures are chronicled. Imagine what the effect would be if a similar occurrence had happened in any one of our three western provinces—imagine depositors at 14 different places in Alberta, to an aggregate of \$1,439,000 facing the loss of a large part of their savings.

Whatever disadvantage may exist in the service rendered the western farming community by their chartered banks, it is questionable if the introduction of local banks as suggested by the farmers of Alberta would be a successful or desirable remedy.

Safe Retreat for Kaiser

Pan German Say Government Must Furnish Protection

Berlin. — The German national assembly, the Reichstag, has passed a resolution in honor bound to furnish a safe retreat on German soil for former Emperor William II. The resolution is a proclamation adopted by the pan-German league at a meeting held in Bamberg, Bavaria. The proclamation further demands that political responsibility for the suicidal armistice of November 11 be definitely fixed, and the guilty parties expelled from the public service.

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Why Can't I Get To Sleep?

Thousands of people all over the country ask this question, but still cannot get to sleep at night. It is a common complaint, and one that is often overlooked. It is a sign of nervousness, and it is a sign of a nervous system that is overworked. It is a sign of a nervous system that is overworked. It is a sign of a nervous system that is overworked.

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French Senate Urges Punishment of Hungs

Paris. — The French government is asked to make every effort to secure the punishment of all German officers and soldiers found guilty of plundering or causing devastation in the occupied regions of France. The request is made by Senator Reynold, on behalf of the senate committee, which recently visited the devastated districts.

The report asks the government to call the attention of the allied powers to the German methods of destruction and urges the government to obtain restitution of stolen property. The government is urged to hasten material reconstruction and to aid the economic life of the people affected.

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Repatriation

Repatriation has become a
household word throughout
Canada and every centre of
population is localizing its own
problem of demobilizing returned
men and war workers and
readjusting economic condi-
tions.

News from Winnipeg says
that the Manitoba legislature
is dealing with seven special
bills aiming to protect the
rights of war veterans.

Elgin County, Ontario, with
the aid of the city of St. Thomas,
is planning to erect a memorial
for the soldiers who fought and
fell. A hospital aims to be
the most popular proposal.

The Great War Veterans As-
sociation in St. Johns, New-
foundland, aims to raise \$10,000
to give to Sergeant Ricketts,
V. C.

For the month of February
the one-way mileage for troop
trains from Halifax was 100,750.
The equivalent of 22 bat-
talions of returned soldiers were
carried. 76 special trains, 956
engines, 97 baggage cars, 109
standard sleeping cars, 89 tour-
ist sleeping cars, 603 colonist
cars, 47 dining cars and 67 com-
missioned cars, making a total
of 1069 cars as being used. If
all these cars were made into one
train that train would be
18 miles long. 203,007 course
miles were served to soldiers
on trains. Passengers were
headed up to a maximum of
3,730 miles. 4,093 railway em-
ployees aided in looking after
the transportation of troops.
The coal consumed one way for
one month was 5,597 tons, or
11,194,000 pounds.

IF THE FARMERS WERE TO GO ON STRIKE

City labor just now is exercis-
ing its constitutional rights by
wholesale refusal to work.

And while it is tough on busi-
ness, and embarrassing to city
folks, and all that, still about
everybody is getting three
meals a day, and the babies
have their eggs and milk, and
dad has butter with his cakes,
and his three strips of lean
bacon.

But, say, if the farmer tried
the general strike there would
be something to worry over.

Suppose Farmer Jones, 2,000-
000 of him on May 1st, said: "I
have been working 16 hours a
day, and not much more than
breaking even. I am not ap-
preciated, I'm going to rest
awhile.

"John, turn the pigs out into
the woods.

"Bill, turn the horses into
the pasture, and let the calves
run with the cows.

"Mary, let the hens steal
their nests, and never mind
about the eggs, and we won't

bother about milking from
now on."

And the plow rusted in the
furrow, and the weeds took
the grain, and the sheep were
unchurned, and the bees kept
their sweat juices to themselves
and fruit rotted on the trees,
and trees decayed for lack of
saplings, and millions of devour-
ing insects that the farmer had
kept from smothering the earth,
except over the country.

Nat'ly, would the town
not say residents soon be hun-
gry for the nation would suf-
fer for years.

Let the farmers strike for
one harvest season and cease
their incessant fight against
famine, typhoid, scar, influenza,
scab blight, insects and the
fields and meadows and orch-
ards and forests of the coun-
try would be more desolate
than the awful ruins of Bel-

gium.

But the farmer has always
kept on the job.

No matter whether prices
were low or high; whether
wheat was worth little and cot-
ton, less, no matter about cost

of fertilizer and seed and ma-
chinery and labor. No matter
whether there was profit in it
or not, the farmer, all of him,
kept right at the job every day
in the year, and about every
daylight hour in the day.

And about all the apprecia-
tion he has had for his faithful
efforts has been the whimper-
ing jests of the cheap urban
journalist, and the silly slap-
stick slams of the cheap net-
work.

And yet the farmer has just
as much to show as the
city worker.

And probably just as much
excuse.

Only the air of the fields and
the breath of the hills breathe
a higher sentiment than do the
rock-hewn city streets, and the
brass doors of man-made
temples to the Great God Cash.

The farmer, as a matter of
course does his duty to those
who depend on him for their
bread, just as he will mortgage
his home before he will allow
even one-legged nag to go hun-
gry.

Maybe he's a darn fool.—Ex.

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" " "	Flax	3.15
" " "	Oats	.68

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N. D. Storey made a business trip to Estuary, on Monday.

L. Sparling, of Calgary, has joined the N. D. Storey staff as bookkeeper and stenographer.

Leslie Pullin, returned from Calgary on Wednesday, having received his military discharge.

H. H. Hall is moving his residence from off his farm, to a location in town.

Get your typewriter ribbons and supplies, and counter check books, at "The Express" office.

Miss Florence Trumpfower, returned on Friday last from Detroit, where she has been spending the winter.

Mrs. J. G. Reedy, and daughter returned on Saturday, after an extended holiday at the coast and other points.

Notice has been received that Pte. P. E. Simmons will be returned to Canada and discharged in the near future.

Owing to the amount of sickness prevalent in town, the St. Patrick's day dance under the auspices of the I.O.G.E., has been postponed for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Butler are expecting to leave on either Saturday or Monday, for Thameville, Ont. where they will reside during the summer months.

The R. Pool rink won the third prize in the Second Draw of the Empress Curling Club, Hayes rink was 1st, and McCharles, 2nd. Owing to delayed games the Draw was not concluded until last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Ramsay, have received word that Mrs. Ramsay, mother of Mrs. J. I. Stoult, died Monday, March 3, at the age of 84 years, from a paralytic stroke. Mr. and Mrs. Stoult, went east, in answer to a telegram apprising them of the illness of Mrs. Ramsay.

Mr. A. McGregor of the Provincial Telephone Dept., arrived in town, Wednesday. Mr. McGregor will make a preliminary survey of the route of the "long distance line" from here to Bossano.

Wm. Robertson, of Edmonton, was in town, Thursday. Mr. Robertson, was here in connection with the Provincial Municipal Hospital scheme and discussed the matter with the town fathers.

Volunteer help in connection with the nursing of our sick townspeople has not been started. Commendation is due the generous response given.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Tyler, returned on Friday last, after an absence of some weeks, spent at Vancouver, B.C. Mrs. Tyler, who underwent an operation while away, is still convalescing. They are glad to be back in "sunny" Alberta, after the experience of rain and slush at the coast.

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